IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

GEORGE JOHN LAZARIS,

Plaintiff, ORDER

v. 04-C-844-C

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, STEPHEN M. PUCKETT, CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA, KAY HIGGINS, and JOHN DOES,

Defendants.

Plaintiff George John Lazaris, a prisoner at the Waupun Correctional Institution in Waupun, Wisconsin, has submitted a proposed complaint. He has paid the \$150 filing fee. Nevertheless, because he is a prisoner, he is subject to the 1996 Prison Litigation Reform Act. Under the act, plaintiff cannot proceed with this action unless the court grants him permission to proceed after screening his complaint pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915A. Therefore, plaintiff is to disregard the letter addressed to him from Deputy Clerk Melissa Hardin dated November 10, 2004, telling him to serve his complaint on the defendants. He should not attempt to serve his complaint unless the court allows him to proceed.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that plaintiff's complaint is taken under advisement.

As soon as the court's calendar permits, plaintiff's complaint will be screened pursuant to 28

U.S.C. § 1915A to determine whether the case must be dismissed either because the

complaint is frivolous or malicious, fails to state a claim on which relief may be granted or

seeks monetary relief against a defendant who is immune from such relief. Plaintiff will be

notified promptly when such a decision has been made.

Entered this 16th day of November, 2004.

BY THE COURT:

BARBARA B. CRABB

District Judge

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